March minutes for Mile High Area of NA minutes for March 6, 2016

2:10 PM: Chairperson Kerry calls us to order.

Brett F. reads 12 Trads. of NA.

We go straight to the CAR rpt.

Jaime has the floor. She's RD: Regional Delegate: A GSR to represent the region at World conference. Ten days worth. It is an arduous task.

Jaime takes service positions to meet people. To get out of herself.

Today we'll go over CAR, Conference Agenda Report, and CAT Conference Approval Track.

The World Conference occurs every even-numbered year.

I've handed out tally sheets. Go over those at your home group. Have them done by April 16th. That's when Regional Assembly 9 to 5 6750 Carr St.

GSRs must be present at the Regional Assembly for your vote to count. *You can't vote by proxy*.

We go over motions.

Motion #2:

Change World Board External Guidelines:

Reduce Board size from a max of 18 members, down to a max of 15 members? Each person allowed two six-year terms in their lifetime, not necessarily consecutively?

General description of World Board:

World Board term is six years.

World Board members are elected by the conference. Kind of area Admin Committee.

There's a Chair, Vice Chair, secretary, 13 At large members

Purpose: Conversations take longer and meeting is cumbersome.

Difficulty filling positions.

It would free up \$50,000-\$70,000 annually.

Will the work get done with fewer people?

Let's pause about Motions.

CAR Survey:

Everybody is welcome to go online and fill out this survey. They want the form filled out by Apr 1st.

You can take this survey online.

Four survey sections.

IDT – **Issue Discussion Topics** – are the NA hot buttons of the two-year Conference cycle.

Over the past two years there's been a lot of talk about zones – how big they should be, etc.

We have breakout sessions where the RDs and RDAs discuss in small groups what will be discussed in the next two years.

AT WSC 2014, there were no decisions made in these breakout rooms, just knocking around ideas.

The conference is very large and expensive. Effectiveness can be compromised. There was a motion that all regions fund their own RDs and RDAs? That motion failed. Do all RDs and RDAs need to be present? Jaime says being an RDA is an invaluable experience, because going to a conference for the first time, as an RD, is overwhelming. What is a zone? There are 119 RDs and the same number of RDAs. So, 238 seated bodies in an 17 World Board members. We start at 9:00 AM and go to 3:00 AM.

We have a lot of unseated regions because of the huge number of regions. Just not enough room in a hall to hold them all.

Can we seat zones instead of regions? And thereby have fewer

Some addicts don't like that. They want to be there. Addicts fear their voice won't be heard.

Are there other ways to manage our growth?

Our service system. People agreed in principle. That means nobody had to use the new structures. GSF Group Service Forum ?; LSC Local Service Committee ?; LSB Local Service Board ?

We will be discussing this at the next conference to see where we're headed.

State nation or province service bodies easier to find us; easier to communicate; not necessarily about seating at World Conference.

CA is concerned about being forced to become one region, instead of its current four.

As far as H&I goes in Colorado, we're the Colorado Region and it pretty much is contiguous with the state of Colorado.

Some illicit literature is being distributed. Some NA folks make copies of our stuff and sell it. They do it because they think NAWS charges too much for the Basic Text. They think anybody who wants a copy should get one for free, or at least for less than NAWS charges.

AA lost their copyright! And their literature is now handled by a publishing company. NA went to court against these people. Judge wanted us to all "get along." The lawsuit ended.

We own a copyright. We accept the duty to protect that copyright.

Suppose we sue these people. NA is run by the groups. It would be very expensive.

IPs are free for printing. We can print those off for free and that is not a copyright issue. It is our copyrighted books that are at issue.

Back to Motions

Motion #3

That the NA World Board develop . . . a pamphlet about mental illness. Because Regarding "In Times of Illness " doesn't address that for a variety of reasons.

Motion #4

That all future approved World Board Minutes be posted on Na.org for download.

Intent: To create accessibility to all World Board minutes.

Issue: That way there is a central full reliable source of the minutes, rather than some joker cutting and pasting a piece of the minutes on f/b and beef about it.

Motion 5

All Financial Reporting for the NAWSC be provided detailed line item, not a summary.

WSC's outside of U.S. are financial flops. Those are made up for by WSC's held in the U.S.

Kerry: What do you mean "flops?" The purpose of the WSC's is to carry message, right? So what's a flop?

Jaime: Some say yes, some say no. Our traditions say handle money responsibly.

WSC's are about exposing folks in hosting area to NA. It's about a party.

Motion 6:

Rationale by Region

That all face to face Board Meetings be open to any NA member on a space-available basis.

Floor: What topics might be confidential?

Keegan: Some topics are required by law to be confidential, such as legal, proprietary or anything that could compromise the anonymity of the fellowship.

Motion 8:

Inexpensive Basic Text to be distributed to carry the message.

Board believes BT remains affordable at \$11.55. We can download the Introductory Guide to NA for free.

Motion 9

pdf version of all approved BT's, english and otherwise, for free downloading by all.

Board: When we give everything away, it kills us financially.

Vail: BT is already out there in pdf format.

Floor: ebook version? Jaime: Yes, it's out there.

Motion 10:

To hold every other WSC outside of the U.S.

Board: Proximity to CA saves money. Los Angeles is where a lot of people and supplies that are essential to the conference are located.

Motion 11:

To allow any delegate from any Zonal Forum to be seated as a non-voting participant.

Board: Test it out before making it a policy? One time trial in 2018?

Motion 12

"What is NA Service?" card as part of the group readings offered by the WS Office.

Motion 13:

World Board member votes only in elections and may make motions in all sessions. Board has one collective vote in new business sessions.

Kerry takes quorum. We need sixteen for quorum. We have fourteen. Quorum fails. Brendan and Angie: It's a budget month. Contractuals will still be covered. So we can [must!] do budget next month.

The consensus is that we go on with CAT, and that we can't do regular area business because of not having a quorum.

CAT:

CRCNA Liaison 11:00 AM Englewood, Perrin this coming Saturday. Maybe a long meeting.

Jeff: CRCNA is Oct 28-30 in Colo Spgs.

Pancake breakfast on Apr 23rd 3500 S. Logan.

An NA member volunteered to be nominated for CRCNA Liaison.

Jaime of Colo Spgs invites us to Masked meeting.

Three written group reports: Peace Out West; Finding The Way Just Can't Miss It

You can go to na.org and download the CAR.

end of minutes.

Date: Sunday, March 6th, 2016

Subcommittee: Public Information Committee

Chair: Travis H.

Email address: Publicinformation.mhasc@gmail.com

Meeting Location & Time: 1212 Mariposa, 12noon before Area Sundays

March 6th, 2016 Report:

Hello from your Public Information sub-committee! My name is Travis and I'm an addict.

Things are going well with public information. We have some Booth events coming up. 9 Health fair will be held April 10th, Jazz Fest will be May 21st, and Peoples fair will be June 4th and 5th. Registration process has been started for both of them. Jazz Fest Now requires a \$25 application fee and \$200 registration fee. Peoples Fair Now requires \$25 application fee and \$100 booth space fee.

Library Literature donation program is in good health.

Acrylic literature rack stands were ordered and will be disbursed to current and new locations this month.

We will be doing a presentation for Adams County Probation students this Wednesdsay March 9th at 11am.

Please seriously consider recommending Public Information service work to recovering addicts you may know that are looking for service work.

In humble service,

Travis H. (personal cell for any inquiries -->720-612-1061 or publicinformation.mhasc@gmail.com

WRITTEN GROUP REPORTS: See Attached

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